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surrounding the insulating layer, and auxiliary power means arranged to provide an auxiliary power.

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54. (Three Times Amended) An electric power plant comprising at least one alternating current rotary electric machine for connection directly to a distribution or transmission network and comprising at least one electric winding formed of a cable, wherein the winding of the machine is formed of at least one electric conductor, a first layer with semiconducting properties surrounding the conductor, a solid insulating layer surrounding the first layer and a second layer with semiconducting properties surrounding the insulating layer, and an auxiliary power is generated with the aid of an extra winding on a stator.--

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-55 and 57-60 are pending, Claims 1 and 54 having been amended by way of the present invention.

In the outstanding Office Action, Claims 1-5, 7, 8, 10, 12-21, 38, 46-49, 51, 52, 54 and 55 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Nikitin et al. (U.S. Patent No. 4,429,244, hereinafter Nikitin) in view of Elton et al. (U.S. 5,036,165 hereinafter Elton '165) and Platzer (U.S. Patent No. 4,121,148); Claim 6 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Nikitin in view of Elton '165 and Platzer and further in view of Elton et al. (U.S. Patent No. 4,622,116 hereinafter Elton '116); Claim 9 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Nikitin in view of Elton '165 and Platzer and further in view of Shildneck (U.S. Patent